RESOLUTION NO. 14-657

WHEREAS, the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are apprised that the Union Chapel Christian Academy Foundation, Inc., is hosting its Third Annual Scholarship Gala to be held in the Boone-Lacey Fellowship Hall at Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church on September 25, 2014. The theme for the Gala is "Changing the Paradigm: Educational Excellence Through STEM." We also wish to recognize Miss Katherine Ward who will serve as a Student Presenter; and,

WHEREAS, Miss Katherine Ward is a native of Huntsville, Alabama, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ward. She is an eighth grade student at Union Chapel Christian Academy (UCCA), and during her matriculation she has obtained the highest academic achievement. Currently, her cumulative grade point average is 4.00; and,

WHEREAS, in recognition of her achievements, she has received several awards and honors. Some of them include: Principal's Award, Bible Award, The "A" Honor Award, Citizen Award, and awards for the highest grade point average in English, mathematics, history and science. While in the sixth and seventh grades, she was a team member of the science class who registered its science project for the National eCybermission Competition and the team won First Place in the State Competition for two consecutive years (2012-2013 and 2013-2014). As a member of the teams, Katherine received the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 eCybermission Awards and a one-thousand dollar (\$1,000) savings bond; and,

WHEREAS, she participates in extracurricular activities and has been a member of the Homecoming Court. For her athletic prowess on the Girls' Track Team, she received an Athletic Award. Her hobbies include singing, reading, swimming and running track. Following graduation from high school, she plans to attend Auburn University and pursue a major in marine biology or animal behavior. Her career goal is to become a marine biologist or an animal trainer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, gratefully acknowledge and commend the Union Chapel Christian Academy Foundation, Inc., on their Third Annual Scholarship Gala and extend best wishes for continued success.

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We extend our heartiest congratulations to Miss Katherine Ward for her many achievements, and wish her every success in all future endeavors.

ADOPTED this the 11th day of September, 2014.

President of the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the 11th day of September, 2014.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama